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LETTER DATED 4 MAY 1992 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government, we request an urgent meeting of the Security Council to consider the grave situation in Los Angeles and other places in the United States of America and the hazardous and deteriorating conditions of the civilian inhabitants of those places.

We now see the United States Administration, which displays mounting zeal to defend human rights in the world, pursuing policies of repression, using armed force against defenceless citizens and failing to address itself to the depressed social and economic conditions experienced by these innocent citizens. Moreover, it pursues a policy of racial segregation and racial oppression, of discriminating between citizens on the basis of colour and ethnic origin and of applying the law unjustly. Such policies represent grave violations of human rights as set forth in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenants on Human Rights and are thus gross violations of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations. The Security Council is required to consider the bloody events taking place in Los Angeles and other United States cities and to adopt a resolution in the same context as the resolutions that it has previously adopted and in accordance with the same principles as those invoked by the United States Government and President George Bush.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for this letter to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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